ऐसा कहना कि अमुक समय के पहले पहले हम सबको को निपटा देंगे मुश्किल होगा । It is a continuing process. I need the co-operation of the State Governments to complete the process. We do not want to delay the cases. We have already delayed them beyond doubt.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: In the last session when the Question was put about the number of applications pending relating to my State, the hon. Minister had said about seven applications are pending, but in the information which I gathered from the Freedom Fighters' Association, more than 2,000 applications are pending for consideration by the Central Government. Therefore, I would like to know what actually is the number of pending applications from Pondicherry.

SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: We gave the figures of those which are actually pending with us. But then there are cases which are again recommended by the State Governments and the Screening Committees. We are again getting those applications and are reviewing those applications also.

SHRI VISHVJIT PRITHVIJIT SINGH: With your permission, I would like to thank the hon. Minister, because as a result of my raising the issue at the last Question Hour two weeks ago, the pension has been granted. Not only that, it has been granted to various other similar cases which were pending with the Delhi Administartion. I am very grateful to the hon. Minister. I would also like to convey the appreciation of the Freedom Fighters' Association of Delhi which has requested me to convey it to him. So, I must thank the hon. Minister.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The compliment is accepted.

श्री वीरेन्द्र वर्मा : माननीय गृह मंत्री जी बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि सन्. . .

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Liberalised pensions for the Territorial Army Pensioners

*441. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state whether liberalised pensions to the Territorial Army Pensioners have been finalised so far; if so, the number of cases finalised and if not, the number of cases pending for finalisation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN SINGH): A total of 40 officers, 167 JCOs and 363 ORs of the Territorial Army are eligible for pension under the Liberalised Pension Scheme.

Of these, 34 cases of officers have been finalised and in 76 cases of JCOs and 161 ORs, provisional pension has been sanctioned. Remaining cases are in various stages of finalisation.

Revision of Salary of the MCD Employees

*450. SHRI ALADI ARUNA *alias* V. ARUNACHALAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Municipal Corporation of Delhi has recently requested the Union Home Ministry to amend the relevant law and the relevant rules for an upward revision of the salary of its employees; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): No amendment of law or the rules is necessary to be carried out by the Union Government for upward revision of the salary of the employees of the Municipal Corporation of Delhi and no request for this purpose has been received.

(b) Does not arise.